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BRIEFS

Early Deadlines

Deadlines for the Jan. 1 issue of *The Casey County News* will be earlier due to the New Year's holiday. The office will be closed Wednesday, Dec. 25 and Jan. 1. All classified and retail ads are due by noon Friday, Dec. 27. All submitted news, including church news and letters to the editor, are also due by noon on Friday. Due to early deadlines, there is no church news in this week's issue. Church news from the week of Dec. 21 will appear in the Jan. 1 issue and church news from the week of Dec. 28 and Jan. 5 will appear in the Jan. 8 issue.

Change of party

The deadline to change party affiliations for the May 20, 2014, Kentucky primary election is Tuesday, Dec. 31. Those interested in changing political parties can do so by visiting the Casey County County Clerk's office in the old Courthouse.

City garbage pickups

The city garbage truck will not be running on Christmas day, Wednesday, Dec. 25. Residents scheduled for pickup on that day should put their garbage out Christmas night, for pickup on Thursday. The truck will also be back on normal schedule Thursday, covering both Wednesday and Thursday on the same day.

Christmas Closings

The following government offices will be closed on Dec. 25: Casey County Judge-Executive's office, Casey County Clerk's office, PVA, and the Casey County Circuit Clerk's office. City Hall will also be closed on Dec. 26.

Local Weather

Wed 12/2544/25

Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 40s and lows in the mid 20s.

Thu 12/2643/23

Sunshine. Highs in the low 40s and lows in the low 20s.

Fri 12/2748/26

Mainly sunny. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the mid 20s.

Sat 12/2854/31

Sunshine. Highs in the mid 50s and lows in the low 30s.

Sun 12/2949/25

Mostly Cloudy. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the mid 20s.

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OBITUARIES

Philip N. Frederick, 72

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Fires destroy two homes in county

By Larry RowellEditor

Firefighters were called to two separate house fires within 24 hours that left the occupants without a place to live.

At 1:50 a.m. on Dec. 18, firefighters from Dunnville, Evona, and Clementsville fire departments responded to a house fire at 187 Combs Road.

“When I got there, there were no flames showing but there was heavy smoke. A few minutes later, flames started coming out of the end of the house,” said Clementsville firefighter Joe Atwood.

According to Charles Combs, who lived in the house with his wife, Kaitlyn, and two children, Bentley, 19 months, and Khloe, 4 months, the house and contents were a complete loss.

The upper floor of the house fell through and there was about two feet of water in the back bedroom, Combs said.

Combs said that the fire started when a wire connected to a motorized baby seat shorted out.

“Our little boy is a night owl and about 12:30 he woke us up. We smelled smoke coming from the back bedroom and the wire caught the rug on fire. I put that out and opened up the windows to let the smoke out,” he said.

Combs and his family went across the road to his mother’s house and a short time later, fire broke out in the attic where Combs said another wire shorted out.

Firefighters were on the scene about four hours and no one was reported injured.

Churches and individuals mobilized and have paid for a motel room at the Bedford Inn in Liberty where they will stay through the holidays.

“It’s been pretty rough but there’s a lot of support out there. It’s unbelievable. We’ve been given clothes, toys, shelter, and money,

■ See FIRES/10



photo/LARRY ROWELL  
Just ask Tonya Lawson if she believes in Santa Claus. Ole Saint Nick paid her a visit recently and left a small box filled with cash. Lawson, who recently had surgery and wasn't able to work the month of December, said the money was a great blessing. Shown with Lawson are her daughters, Kylee Lawson and Tiffany Emerson, and grandson, Roman Decker.

Local woman receives visit from

secretanta

By Larry RowellEditor

The hustle and bustle of shopping, cooking, and attending all those Christmas parties and events often means that the luster of the Christmas season is lost.

But for one woman, who was paid a visit by a real live Santa Claus, Christmas has taken on a whole new meaning.

Tonya Lawson, who lives in Liberty, arrived home about 8:15 p.m. on Dec. 17 after shopping with her daughter, Kylee, at two local businesses.

A knock on the door about 15 minutes later summoned Tonya, Kylee, and Tiffany Emerson, Tonya's oldest daughter.

“I looked out to see who it was and it was a man with red pants and a red sweat shirt. He was wearing a red Santa hat and had

■ See SECRET SANTA/10

Barradas, Burkhart write winning letters to Santa Claus

Gabrielle Burkhart and Joshua Barradas were the winners of this year's "Letters to Santa" letter-writing contest, sponsored by *The Casey County News*.

The two received a large gift bag filled with toys, candy and other surprises as they were the boy and girl winner selected from the hundreds of letters to Santa received. All letters were featured in a special section inserted in last week's issue.

Gabrielle, 5, is a kindergarten student at Walnut Hill Elementary. Her parents are Malcolm and Barbara Burkhart. She has a brother, Malachi, 4.

Joshua, 6, is a first-grader at Walnut Hill Elementary. He is the son of Ruben and Carmela Barradas and has two sisters, Casperina, 13, and Ellen, 10.

photo/LARRY ROWELL

Gabrielle Burkhart and Joshua Barradas were the winners of the 2013 "Letters to Santa" contest.

know you and your reindeer have many houses to go to and you may not get to my house. It will be ok if you don't make it to my house this year because I already have the best two gifts a cat and a dog.

Your friend,  
Gabrielle Burkhart

Joshua's letter

Dear Santa,

What I want for Christmas is a new kitten cause mine is sick. Also trash can squinkies. Don't forget to pay mommies bills! Dad wants new tires and clothes. Love you Santa. Will leave you sweets.

Joshua Barradas

2013 YEAR IN REVIEW

A look at the top stories of the past year

Compiled by Katelynn GriffinStaff Writer

With another year almost in the books, here is a look back at a few popular stories from 2013.

January

■ Kentucky State Police announced on Jan. 9 that two more people had been arrested in connection with the murder of a man who was gunned down at a Dunnville business. Dereck Salyers, 25, and his mother, Ruth Salyers, 58, both of Mannsville, were arrested on charges of tampering with physical evidence and hindering a prosecution. Ruth's husband and Dereck's father, David Salyers, is charged with complicity to commit murder and William "Billy" Rigdon of Lebanon is charged with the Sept. 26 murder of Wendell "Gleason" Pyles.

■ Casey County Constable Joseph Glenn Nutgrass was charged with a felony offense of flagrant non-support when he failed to provide support for his minor child, according to the indictment. Nutgrass has served as a constable in District 2 in Casey County since 2010 and will be up for re-election in 2014.

February

■ Casey County received confirmation from the Department of Local Government in Frankfort stating that the county had been approved for a \$500,000 Community Development Block Grant for the proposed college in downtown Liberty. These funds were added to the approximately \$600,000 already on hand for the project which is expected to cost \$3 million.

■ Lady Rebel Coach Randy Salyers led the Lady Rebs to back-to-back district titles for the second time ever in school history. The Lady Rebs beat the Somerset Lady Briar Jumpers 42-38 to take their second consecutive 47th District Tournament championship title.

March

■ Casey County's stray cats and dogs were to be taken to the Green River Animal Shelter in Adair County. The Taylor County Animal Shelter was where the stray pets of Casey County were previously taken, but the shelter has been the center of controversy from animal rights groups alleging shelter employees didn't properly care for its animals.

■ Superintendent Linda Hatter announced her retirement after serving in her position for a decade. Hatter began her career as a fourth grade elementary teacher at Liberty Elementary School for 11 years and then serving two years as assistant principal at LES. She then took the position as instructional supervisor at the central office before being hired as superintendent.

April

■ An active methamphetamine lab was found in the woods off Water Tower Road and law enforcement officials said that a tip from a citizen of suspicious activity led to the discovery of the lab. Officers also located a red duffle bag that contained three one-step labs in large bottles.

May

■ Forty-two pounds of drugs were turned in during "RX Take Back Day." The event was a collaboration between law enforcement agencies and local entities allowing the community to rid their homes of outdated or unused medicines. All items collected were disposed of by the Drug Enforcement Agency.

■ See YEAR IN REVIEW/3

Wishing Everyone A Merry Christmas And Happy New Year!

Hickory Hills Market

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Sam, Hansa & employees

D.J.'s Food Mart

3300 North U.S. 127 • Hustonville, KY 40437

606-346-9700

Rick, Sandy & employees





# The Christmas Story

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed.

(And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.)

And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city.

And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem; (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)

To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, bearing great with child.

And so it was that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered.

And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying,

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Luke 2:1-14  
Holy Bible  
King James Version

# White Christmas — real or imagined

“I’m dreaming of a white Christmas just like the ones I used to know.” I love that song and I love the thought of a white Christmas because of it.

How many white Christmases have I known since 1942? I can’t tell you right off-hand so I might just look it up. I truly doubt that there have been more than a dozen in that length of time unless you count light dustings that melt in about an hour.

A white Christmas, the one we sing about and dream about, is something wonderful we carry in our hearts and imaginations. It has nothing to do with precipitation or lack thereof. When I was a kid, it was Hubert Cornett’s Christmas toy department upstairs in his dime store. For today’s kids it’s probably the toy department or electronics department at Walmart.

The memories of department store Santas with their bad beards, skinny bellies stuffed with pillows, and scary “Ho, ho, hos” are part of our white Christmas memories. We didn’t care how unrealistic these Santas were — we hoped they were going to get the message to the real Santa that we wanted a Betsy Wetsy doll or a fire truck or a toy piano.

High school white Christmas memories for me involved “Miss Anna” Short and the glee club at Middleburg High School. We always put on a lovely cantata at several churches

**Joberta WELLS**  
Columnist



in the county. We also went caroling at the “old folks home” and to the homes of other elderly folks. I will always remember my grandmother crying as we sang “Silent Night”. Now, I cry when that carol is sung.

We remember lovely family reunions and get-togethers where relatives we hadn’t seen for months or years came to join us in celebration and good food.

We don’t remember the arguments, the Christmas trees that got knocked over by somebody’s little kid on a tricycle, Grandpa’s glasses that got broken by a wayward football, or any other small disasters.

White Christmas memories do not include disasters of any sort. They are erased by our longing for better times, imagined or real.

The birth of Jesus, the verses from Luke’s gospel that most of us know by heart, and the carols that speak of that birth are all intertwined in our white Christmas memories. Perhaps we have things a little backwards but as long as we remember, I think we are better people for it.

I hope that all of you have a wonderful Christmas and a healthy, happy, and prosperous 2014.

LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH!

With the holidays upon us that means many businesses and institutions will be closing their doors for a couple of days this month. Buildings will be closed, lights off, and locked up tight. However, this is not the case for everyone.

Numerous emergency personnel will be on call working the holiday shift, including law enforcement, ambulance services, dispatch or communications personnel, and firefighters.

The sheriff’s department, city police, and state agencies — whether it’s the Kentucky State Police in gray or the Commercial Vehicle

**Katelynn GRIFFIN**  
Staff Writer



Enforcement officers in tan — will be patrolling the streets and probably hoping for a quiet holiday. Of course this isn’t always the case and should a citizen require their services, they’ll show up when called.

Firefighters have been busy this time of year thanks to space heaters, fireplaces, wood stoves, and other heating devices which

are notorious for catching homes on fire. When the alarm rings someone will respond. Most in the area are volunteer departments, which means they’ll be home, but don’t fret they’ll stop what their doing and respond to the fire.

Ambulances will be available and on call should a person become ill or require emergency treatment. Not to mention the possibility of injuries during the holiday festivities.

The people responsible for directing the emergency traffic across radios belongs to the employees of dispatch centers and emergency com-

munications. They are the one’s responsible for directing all the above mentioned to the correct location and relaying pertinent information to the correct party.

There are also several places that don’t shut down and are in operation all year long — operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. This includes hospitals and manufacturing plants, among others, including those already mentioned.

Whether you have to work or are fortunate enough to be home with your family, have a happy and safe holiday!



# Share your views with legislators on the issues

As we get ready to close out 2013, let me wish you and your family a happy New Year!

It’s time again for members of the Kentucky General Assembly to meet for a 60-day legislative session that is frequently called a “budget session.” During this time, my colleagues and I will work to develop a two-year budget for state government. We will also discuss other issues important to Kentuckians, including jobs, economic development, education and health care.

In order to gain your perspectives on a variety of issues, I invite you to share your opinion on priorities and concerns. It is important to me to hear about issues that you and your families who live in my districts deal with on a daily basis.

I have provided a survey covering important topics the General Assembly may consider during the 2014 Session. Please take the time to review it, answer the questions, and return it to Senator Jimmy Higdon, 204 Capitol Annex Building Room 003, 702 Capitol Ave., Frankfort, KY 40601

I thank you for your time and your effort in completing this survey, and please feel free to make copies to give to your family and neighbors. The more feedback I receive, the better I can represent you.

If you should ever need to contact me, do not hesitate to call my office in Frankfort at 502-564-8100, or my home at

**Jimmy HIGDON**  
State Senator



270-692-6945. I am honored to be your state senator, and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

*Note: Senator Jimmy Higdon (R-Lebanon) represents the 14th District including Casey, Marion, Nelson and Spencer Counties, as well as part of Jefferson County.*

■ Do you support pro-life legislation?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Should we eliminate the death penalty in Kentucky?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Do you oppose the use of eminent domain by the Bluegrass Pipeline?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Do you support charter schools?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Do you support school vouchers?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Do you support modernizing Kentucky’s tax code?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Should Kentucky pass legislation protecting against junk lawsuits?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Do you support a constitutional amendment allowing casino gaming in Kentucky?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Should Kentucky pass laws to create stiffer penalties for trafficking in heroin?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Should Kentucky pass legislation to allow voters in cities to pass a sales tax of as much as 1 percent to fund major local projects?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Should Kentucky be a right-to-work state?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Do you support prevailing wage?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Do you support the Affordable Care Act?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Do you support Common Core?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Do you support next generation science standards?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Should Kentucky promote technology providing for cleaner burning coal?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Do you support legislation requiring voters to present photo ID to vote?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Do you support legislation to legalize medicinal marijuana?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Do you support restoring voting rights to convicted felons who have completed the terms of their sentence? (Circle one.)  
No  
Restore automatically after sentence  
Offer them a way to apply to have rights restored?

■ Would you support legislation to expunge minor felony convictions after 10 years if no other violations have occurred?  
YES NO  
Undecided

■ Do you support a statewide smoking ban?  
YES NO  
Undecided

Comments:

■ Do you have suggestions for any other legislation that should be passed or changed?

# What’s your opinion?

Readers are encouraged to submit letters to the editor expressing their opinion on a subject of interest to others. All letters must be signed and include an address and telephone number for verification purposes. Anonymous letters, and those deemed to be libelous or in poor taste, will not be published. Address letters to: The Casey County News, P.O. Box 40, Liberty, Ky. 42539; fax to (606) 787-8306; or e-mail to news@caseynews.net.

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# Year In Review

■ Continued from front

■ An estimated 100 fire-fighters from the Casey County’s eight fire departments responded to a fire at the Goose Creek Candle Co., on Campbellsville Street, in downtown Liberty. The business was started 15 years ago by Chuck and Tammy Meece and they pledged to be up and running as soon as possible.

**June**

■ Marion Sowders was chosen by the Casey County School Board to be the new superintendent for the district. Sowders, of Knox County, was picked out of nearly 40 candidates that applied for the job.

**July**

■ Two adults and a juvenile were charged with second-degree disorderly conduct and third-degree criminal mischief for writing in mud on Veteran’s Wall in Liberty Park. Casey M. Allen, 20, of 7216 Dry Creek Road, Elk Horn, Erica Tetreault, 19, of 1168 East Ky. 70, Liberty, and a 15-year-old unnamed juvenile were all cited on July 7.

■ A rash of thefts hit Casey County. Break-ins and burglaries occurred at homes, churches, and at a popular motorcross track. Trace Fork Creek Church and Willow Springs United Methodist Church were targeted by thieves, a black 6 foot by 12 foot utility trailer and a Husky push lawnmower were taken from the residence of Neal Grider on South Ky. 501., an ATV was taken from Saw Mill Motor Cross, and deputies investigated a burglary at the residence of Jason Tackett on Ky. 1859, where approximately \$7,000 worth of items were taken.

**August**

■ Liberty City Council approved the purchase of a 75-foot ladder truck from the Pee Wee Valley area. The Liberty Fire Department will borrow \$75,000 from the Casey County Bank to make the purchase. Funds from the state fire commission will also be put towards the purchase of the truck.

■ Due to redistricting by state lawmakers, Casey County welcomed two new lawmakers. Senator Jimmy Higdon, R-Lebanon, and Representative Mike Harmon, R-Danville are now representing the county.

■ Larry Rowell was promoted from staff writer

to the editor of *The Casey County News*. Rowell had been a staff writer with the paper since August 2008.

**September**

■ John R. Price, 38, of 347 Sharps Hollow Road, Liberty, was cited by Liberty Police Chief Steven Garrett and charged with marijuana cultivation, less than five plants, and possession of drug paraphernalia. Both are misdemeanors. Garrett said Price admitted to growing the lone 6-foot tall plant on the edge of the woods at Price’s house. In addition, Price had several pipes, pipe cleaners, and rolling papers. Price is a science teacher at the Casey County Middle School.

■ A fire destroyed a mobile home and potentially key evidence in a future trial. A mobile home on 2450 Sloan Fork Road went up in flames on Sept. 10 and Michelle Johnson (formerly Reusser) and family members, were in a barn not far from the trailer when the fire started. The loss of the trailer also could affect a criminal matter involving Johnson’s ex-husband, Jason Reusser, who faces 33 counts of sexual charges, some of which allegedly occurred in the trailer.

■ After nearly 40 years, Liberty once again has a movie theater, completely renovated and state-of-the art. Lights of Liberty, which was formerly known at the Kentuckian Theater, opened Sept. 20 and featured two movies, “Lee Daniels, The Butler,” and “Insidious Chapter 2.”

**October**

■ Casey County held its 39th annual Apple Festival. Miss Apple Festival Preteen was Chloe Wesley and Miss Apple Festival was Holly Luttrell. The Mondie Family Gospel Singers sang at the event and the Casey County Cloggers performed. Many events and performances were held during the Apple Festival.

■ Michael Branham was put back behind bars after walking away from work detail. Branham, 19, was working at the Casey County Recycling Center when he left and escaped through the woods. He is facing two counts of fleeing and evading police on foot, and theft by unlawful taking, auto. Branham was serving a six-year sentence for receiving stolen property and one count of fleeing and evading police.

**November**

■ “ Operation Black Friday” was a drug sweep that Kentucky State Police officials declared to be the largest in the history of the agency. Every available member of the KSP worked with local and federal drug officials to make 479 arrests resulting in 774 charges, according to a press release from KSP. Two arrests were made locally. Steven Wayne Calhoun, 43, of 195 Contown Road, Liberty, was arrested and charged with first-degree, first offense trafficking in a controlled substance, equal to or greater than 10 drug units. Christopher Neil Watson, 28, of Poff Emerson Road, Liberty, was arrested and charged with second-degree, first offense trafficking in a controlled substance, less than 20 drug units.

■ Liberty City Council passed a nuisance ordinance that pertained to properties labeled a chronic nuisance. The ordinance requires landlords to screen prospective tenants for any criminal activity that might indicate that they wouldn’t make good, law abiding, tenants. Should it be proven that a landlord didn’t follow the ordinance in this regard, with police having responded three or more times in a 60 day period, the landlord could be cited with a misdemeanor offense and fined potentially up to \$10,000, depending on the number of offenses.

■ Carl Meece, former Casey County Sheriff and County Judge Executive with 24 years of elected service, died on Nov. 26. He was 72.

**December**

■ Casey County got its first taste of winter all at once, receiving freezing rain, sleet, cold temperatures, and ice. The ice accumulated on electric lines and trees causing power outages throughout the county.

■ Bernadette Luttrell, 48, of 562 Allen Creek Road, Liberty, was arrested by Trooper Kevin Roberts and charged with one count of third-degree rape and two counts of official misconduct. The arrest stems from an alleged incident that occurred while Luttrell was working as an outreach specialist at Blackburn Correctional Facility in Lexington. Luttrell is the outreach specialist at the Lake Cumberland Community Action Agency on Beldon Avenue in Liberty.

# Coffman files for sheriff’s race; Weddle withdraws

**By Larry Rowell**  
*Editor*

In a move that surprised many, Casey County Sheriff Jerry Coffman filed to run for re-election on Dec. 17.

Coffman had previously told *The Casey County News* that “he probably wouldn’t run” but when Coffman was pressed on the issue, and told that it would be put on *The Casey News* Facebook page stating that he wouldn’t run, Coffman

voiced no objection.

Also, Deputy Chad Weddle, who filed just six days ago to run for sheriff, withdrew from the race shortly after Coffman filed.

“I have said for 11 years that I wouldn’t run against Jerry Coffman. I gave my word to Jerry Coffman and to the people of Casey County that I would not run against Jerry Coffman. There’s never been a man who’s more like a brother to me,” Weddle said.

Assuming that Coffman

wasn’t going to run, Weddle filed his papers Dec. 12 and asked Coffman to sign his filing papers, which Coffman did.

Kentucky law states that a candidate filing to run for sheriff must have two registered voters of the same party living in the same county sign on their behalf.

When contacted on Dec. 18, Coffman said that he never clearly said that he wasn’t running for re-election.



photo/KATELYNN GRIFFIN

## ‘A Tennessee Christmas’ benefits backpack program

Dunnville Christian Church hosted “A Tennessee Christmas,” featuring the talents of Meagan Taylor and Jason Coleman on Dec. 18. The concert was free but donations were accepted to benefit the Casey County Schools Backpack Program. The program sends home backpacks filled with non-perishable food items and currently there are 139 students in the program. The minimum cost is approximately \$2.50 per week, or \$85 a school year for one child in the program. Along with Dunnville Christian, the Casey County Community Ministries and the school district’s Youth Services and Family Resource Center participated in the event.

# Schools react to ACA mandates

**By Katelynn Griffin**  
*Staff Writer*

With the recent implementation of the Affordable Care Act, better known as Obamacare, school districts throughout the nation have had to distinguish how the act would effect their districts, especially as it pertains to part-time employees.

Deena Randolph, director of district-wide services at the Casey County School district, has been determining how the county needs to respond to the act and how it will be reflected in the budget.

“It’s important for us to identify who our full time employees are,” Randolph said. “We will have to track our substitute and coaches hours very closely.”

She added that if the employee works more than 30 hours a week that employee will now be considered full time and the district will have no choice but to offer them insurance.

Randolph estimated that there are approximately 100 part-time employees that would be affected by this act.

The first step of the implementation of Obamacare was to send a notice to all employees by Oct. 1 to inform the employees that the Kynect system was available.

Kynect is ‘Kentucky’s healthcare connection’ and offers plans for individuals and small businesses. Kynect al-

lows Kentuckian’s to apply, compare, and select insurance plans.

“We didn’t hear any bellying and it went smooth,” Randolph said.

Randolph said that tracking the employee hours shouldn’t be a problem even though at first they were initially told that it would be a big deal. Now, the Kentucky Department of Education has told the school districts that it should be no problem.

“The KDE instructed us to look at our substitutes to see if they averaged 130 hours a month. If they did, then we would have to offer them insurance,” Randolph said.

In order to address this issue, the school board members heard a first reading of a policy that would limit the number of hours for substitutes at the Dec. 16 board meeting.

“The first reading of the new policy will state that no substitute shall work more than 129 hours a month, unless first approved by the superintendent,” Randolph said.

Randolph is working on a draft budget, which will be submitted in January. In May a tentative budget is submitted and in September the final budget is presented to the Board of Education.

As far as the budget is concerned, Randolph said she has allotted a certain amount of funds to cover any expenses

incurred from Obamacare, but she doesn’t think the cost will be a problem.

“Maybe three teachers last year worked enough hours to require insurance,” Randolph said. “We’ve been told that the state is going to pay for the insurance, but we were also told that due to the state’s budget issues, we may have to pay.”

The nightmare will be the penalties assessed if the district fails to offer insurance to its employees.

“We will do our due diligence and track the hours to avoid the penalties,” Randolph said.

Penalties wouldn’t be announced until the following May.

The school district will have a year to offer insurance to employees who qualify, but by January 2015, those employees must be insured or fines can then be issued by the IRS.

“It’s just another government mandate and those are not fun to deal with,” Randolph said. “You have to do more with less.”

The Affordable Care Act requires employers with at least 50 full-time employees to offer health insurance that must meet minimum standards outlined in the act. If the minimum standards are not met then the employer will have to make a tax payment, or penalty, called an employer shared responsibility payment.

## Dr. Richard S. Miles would like to welcome Tammy Jo Hill, ARNP

Their office is located in the Medical Arts Building at 124 Dowell Raod

Tammy’s career in nursing began in 1982 as a Nurse Aid. She earned her Associate Degree in 1984 and began working as an RN in a hospital setting. Tammy completed her Bachelor’s degree in 1997 and Master’s in Nursing from University of Kentucky in 2001.

Tammy has a decade of experience in Family Practice – Primary and Rural Healthcare.

Tammy will begin seeing patients January 2014.

For an appointment call  
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| Candidates who have filed to run for election in Casey County in the May primary and General Election in November, through Monday: |  |   |   |
| <b>Magistrate:</b>   |  |   |   |
| <b>Dist. 1</b><br>Kenny Morgan   | <b>Dist. 2</b><br>David Wethington<br>Bart Woodrum<br>Eddie Dale Poff<br>Jerry Sandusky<br>Gary Peyton | <b>Dist. 3</b><br>David Phelps<br>Kenny Patten<br>Jamie Martin<br>Eddie D. Warren<br>Robby Murphy<br>Tracey Elliott | <b>Dist. 4</b><br>Jamey Maupin<br>Roger Dale Durham<br>Charlie McAnelly |
| <b>County Clerk</b><br>Casey Davis   | <b>Jailer</b><br>Tommy Miller  | <b>County Attorney</b><br>Tom Weddle  | <b>PVA</b><br>Eric Brown  |
| <b>Constable:</b>  |  |   |   |
| <b>Dist. 1</b><br>Roger Garrett  | <b>Dist. 2</b><br>Darrell Wethington<br>Ralph Mondie<br>Felix Seahorse Rodz<br>David A. Russell        | <b>Dist. 3</b><br>Rick Hogue<br>Geoffrey Brown  | <b>Dist. 4</b><br>John K. Brown   |
| <b>Coroner</b><br>Tommy Clark<br>Curt Demrow   | <b>County Judge-Executive</b><br>Mary Sue Shoopman<br>Brian K. Beeler<br>Micah Beard<br>Tim Goodlett   | <b>Sheriff</b><br>Jerry Coffman   |   |



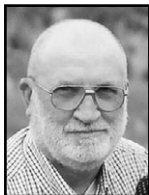
## Philip N. Frederick, 72

Philip N. Frederick of Middleburg passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 17, 2013, at his residence. He was 72.

Born July 22, 1941 in Casey County, he was a son of the late George and Martha Perry Frederick. Philip was a member of the Locust Grove Baptist Church and a retired heavy equipment operator for B&B Electric.

He was preceded in death by a son, Norman "Buster" Frederick.

Survivors include his wife, Imogene Poore Frederick; a son, Kenneth (and Cherri) Frederick of Stanford; a step-son, Jack (and Cindy) Perkins of Somerset; three step-daughters, Jamie (and Eddie) Bell and Jacqueline (and Joel) Cunningham, both of Monticello, and Jessica (and Dewayne) Riddle of Albany; a broth-



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three grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; six step-grandchildren; and five step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Dec. 19 at Locust Grove Baptist Church with Bro. Keith Bowling and Bro. Tim Jones officiating.

Burial was in the KP Hall Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements were entrusted to McKinney-Brown Funeral Home with online guestbook available at [www.mckinneybrown.com](http://www.mckinneybrown.com).

er, Robert (and Ruth) Frederick of Kings Mountain; a sister, Dorothy Carman of Kings Mountain;

## HAPPENINGS

■ Kentucky Blood Center will have a blood drive at the Evona Fire Department, located at 467 Sloan Fork Rd. in the South Fork community on Thursday, Dec. 26 from 1:30 to 7 p.m. Every donor will receive a \$10 Walmart gift card.

■ Casey County Sportsman Club will have a family fun shoot the first Saturday of every month at 12 p.m. Shoot your favorite choice of skeet or trap.

■ Quilt Club will meet the second Monday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Casey County Extension Office. The class is for novice to experienced quilters. For more information call 606-706-0088.

## SUPPORT GROUPS

■ Celebrate Recovery, a Christ centered recovery ministry, will meet at Liberty United Methodist Church fellowship hall on Sunday, Dec. 29 at 6 p.m. For more information call 606-787-8356 or email [celebratelibrary@hotmail.com](mailto:celebratelibrary@hotmail.com).

■ Narcotics Anonymous will meet Monday, Dec. 30 at 8 p.m. at Cornerstone Baptist Church (Lake Liberty). For information call 606-706-5627 or 859-576-4380.

■ A.A. will meet at 8 p.m. at the Casey County Public Library on Sunday, Dec. 29. For information call 606-787-5866.

■ Alcoholics Anonymous will meet at 8 p.m. at the

Casey County Library on Friday, Dec. 27. For information call 606-787-5866.

■ The Casey County A.A. meeting will be held at 8 p.m. at the First Christian Church fellowship hall on Tuesday, Dec. 31. For information call 606-787-7205 or 787-5866.

■ The Casey County Al-Anon meeting will be held at 8 p.m. at the First Christian Church on Tuesday, Dec. 31. For information call 606-787-9670 or 787-5704.

■ TOPS KY 404 will meet at Westside Christian Church with weigh-in at 5 p.m. and meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 26. For information call Donna Mills, 606-787-6431.

## CHURCH

■ Green River Valley Separate Baptist Church will present its Christmas play at Ellisburg Baptist Church on Sunday, Dec. 29 at 6 p.m.

■ Canaan Valley Separate Baptist Church will have watch night services on Tuesday, Dec. 31 at 8 p.m. with special singing by South of Heaven.

■ Hwy. 49 Holiness Church will have a watch night service on Tuesday, Dec. 31 at 8 p.m.

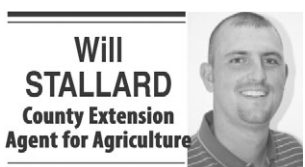
■ Casey County Baptist Association free clothing closet is open Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. weather permitting.

## FARM NEWS

# Now is the time to think about cold-weather horse nutrition

Winter is officially here. Consider yourselves lucky that your horses don't have to deal with temperatures that consistently dip into the negative digits. However, do you consider your horse's nutritional needs and how they change even with mild Kentucky winters? Here are some ideas to consider when feeding your horses this winter.

The first thing every horse owner should do is assess your horses' body condition scores, or the amount of fat they are carrying. This is simple numeric system, ranging from 1 to 9 that will help you adjust your horses' diets as they are carrying the perfect amount of body weight. If you need help with this, the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service published a fact sheet titled, "Condition Scoring Your Horse," and you can contact someone here at the Casey County office to look for ASC-145. Using this system will help you keep feed costs



Will STALLARD  
County Extension  
Agent for Agriculture

down and your horses' health and well-being in top shape.

No matter your horses' body condition scores, one of the most important aspects of feeding horses during the winter is being able to provide a source of good-quality forage. Without question, this is a difficult task considering the current availability of affordable, good-quality hay. But unless you have a well-planned rotational grazing system in place and have stockpiled forage that will last until spring, purchasing hay is essential. Square or round bales are perfectly acceptable when correctly managed; however, you will have a better idea of how much hay your horses are eating when providing them with square bales on a daily basis.

Unless you are raising broodmares or growing horses, most horses should be fed at least 50 percent of their total daily diet as forage. For an average 1,000-pound horse fed at 2 percent body weight per day, that would be at least 10 pounds of hay per day. In addition to providing nutrients, hay also supplies heat to the horses through the digestive process.

It's best to provide hay in some sort of feeder when you are group feeding your horses outside. In most situations, a hay feeder will reduce the amount of wasted hay by 20 percent or more. Horse owners have a couple of other forage alternatives to hay such as hay cubes or complete feeds that contain a high level of fiber, such as beet pulp. These may be more expensive in the long run, but offer another way to provide a source of fiber to your horses.

If your hay is of high-nutritive value and your horses are maintaining their body

condition scores throughout the winter, you may not have to provide a source of grain at all. However, if your horses are not meeting their nutritional needs with hay alone, you can add grain to their diet. Remember, grain should supplement a horse's diet as a majority of their nutrient needs should be met by the forage source.

Water is an essential nutrient that you need to monitor very carefully during the winter months. In general, horses tend to increase their

consumption of water when consuming more dry matter or harvested forages. But, they tend to not want to drink really, really cold water. Therefore, it's important to make sure you provide fresh water daily on a free-choice basis. When the temperature dips into the 30s and below, water tanks may freeze up. Be sure to check them at least twice a day and break the ice up if needed so the horses can drink. You can also install a water tub or bucket heater to keep the water from freezing.

When installed properly and monitored closely, these can be helpful tools to keep fresh water available at all times for your four-legged friends.

Make sure you especially monitor older horses that have trouble keeping weight on during the year. They may need some special attention to keep them in good weight throughout the winter.

Using these simple tools can help you and your herd make it through the winter in good health and body condition.

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## Casey District Court

The following cases were disposed of in Casey District Court. Amounts listed include fines and court costs.

### Dec. 10

Joshua Lynn Dial, two counts of third-degree possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and carrying a concealed deadly weapon, plea of guilty, 12 months in jail, serve 90 days with credit for any time served, balance suspended for two years on condition no new violations of law and Dial completes drug treatment program.

Phillip W. Showalter, speeding, \$178.50; reckless driving, instructional permit violations, and failure to produce insurance card, dismissed.

Patricia Ann Owens, theft by deception, cold checks, plea of guilty, 20 days in jail suspended if paid in full by March 27.

Michael Wayne Edwards, first-degree criminal trespass, plea of guilty, 20 days in jail, credit for time served, balance probated for one year if no new violations of law.

Karen Amburgey, two counts of parent/custodian send child to school, plea of guilty, \$280.50.

### Dec. 12

Robert W. Ross, careless driving, plea of guilty, \$160.50; first offense DUI, dismissed based on test results and proof of prescription.

Marcus L. Chadwell, fourth-degree assault minor injury, plea pursuant to N.C. v. Alford, five days in jail,

suspended for one year if no new complaints and no more assaults on child.

Charles Randall Elliott, fourth-degree assault minor injury, plea pursuant to N.C. v. Alford, five days in jail with credit for time served, suspended for one year if no new complaints and no contact with complaining witness.

Johnnie C. Buck, third-degree terroristic threatening, continue six months to be dismissed if no contact between parties.

Stephanie J. Clements, tampering with physical evidence and abuse of corpse, court finds probable cause to bind over to grand jury.

William Lynn Richard, showed proof of insurance, dismissed.

Stephen T. Baker, failure to produce insurance card, dismissed.

Austin Tyler Hogue, no operator's license, failure to or improper signal, \$185.50.

Amanda Louise Feese, no/expired registration plates, failure of owner to maintain required insurance, failure to wear seat belts, and failure to or improper signal, \$310.50.

Latashia N. Lane, no/expired Ky. registration receipt and no/expired registration plates, dismissed, proof filed.

Kenneth Eugene Allen, fourth-degree assault minor injury, dismissed.

Cathy S. Dorst, theft by deception, cold checks, plea of guilty, 10 days in jail suspended if paid in full by March 13.

Kathy Mae Rice, theft by deception, cold checks, 10 days in jail suspended on con-

dition paid in full by Jan. 16.

Jonathan Dawn Sears, theft by deception, cold checks, plea of guilty, 10 days in jail suspended on condition paid in full by Jan. 16.

Blake Newman, truancy, student 18 but not yet 21, plea of guilty, \$250.50.

Sergio Jose Juarez, no operator's license, \$165.50.

### Dec. 17

Michael Ray Lee, third or greater offense alcohol intoxication in a public place, plea of guilty, 10 days in jail, credit for time served, \$205.50.

Jessica Lynn, failure to wear seat belts, dismissed; failure to produce insurance card and license to be in possession, \$265.50.

Truman Tyler Kemp, instructional permit violations, continue for six months to be dismissed if no further charges; and license to be in possession, dismissed, proof filed.

Piseth Pov, speeding, diversion program; failure to produce insurance card and no/expired Ky. registration receipt.

Rafael M. Vazquez Santizo, no operators license, plea of guilty, \$165.50; license to be in possession, no tail lamps, and rear license not illuminated, dismissed, repaired.

William D. Wheeler, no/expired registration plates, no/expired Ky. registration receipt, failure of owner to maintain required insurance, and failure to produce insurance card, dismissed, proof filed.

Rhonda L. Wright, permit unlicensed operator to operate a motor vehicle, \$165.50;

failure to notify DOT of address change, dismissed, proof filed.

Wesley A. Brumley, operating on a suspended/revoked operator's license, \$165.50; failure to notify DOT of address change and rear license not illuminated, dismissed.

Kayla J. Easton, no/expired registration receipt, no/expired registration plates, and failure to produce insurance card, dismissed, proof filed.

Mark Dwayne Brown, first offense DUI, two counts of thirds-degree criminal trespassing, and first-degree criminal trespassing, plea of guilty, 90 days license suspension, \$755.50.

Waylon Lewis Snow, second-degree fleeing or evading police and resisting arrest, plea of guilty, 30 days in jail, concurrent credit for time served.

### Dec. 19

Johna Page Pendleton, theft by deception, cold checks, 10 days in jail suspended on condition paid in full by March 4.

James R. Terrill, theft by deception, cold checks, dismissed, paid before court.

Nannie Kay McElroy, theft by deception, cold checks, dismissed.

Joshua Alan Summers, theft by deception, cold checks, plea of guilty, 15 days suspended if paid in full by Jan. 23.

Cathy Dorst, theft by deception, cold checks, 30 days in jail suspended if paid in full by June 19.

Heather Carmicle, harassment, physical contact, no injury, plea of guilty, 10 days in jail suspended for one year on condition no contact with

victim.

Tracy J. Grider, failure to notify DOT of address change and one headlight, dismissed, proof filed.

Casey M. Allen, motion to revoke conditional discharge, testimony heard from post commander reports that Allen is working toward completing community service work with a good attitude. Review March 4.

Erica P. Tetreault, motion to revoke conditional discharge, testimony heard from post commander reports that Tetreault is working toward completing community service work with a good attitude. Review March 4.

Rhonda Smither, fourth-degree assault minor injury, dismissed.

Kristin Wethington, theft by deception, cold checks, dismissed, paid in full.

Arnold Ray Meeks, theft by deception, cold checks, paid in full.

Corey M. McCawley, installment payment, paid in full.

Joshua Palken, reckless driving, plea of guilty, \$160.50; two counts of wanton endangerment, dismissed.

Randall W. Luttrell, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana, carrying a concealed deadly weapon, convicted felon in possession of a handgun, and possession of a defaced firearm, waive to grand jury.

Matthew C. Martin, second-degree criminal trespass, third-degree burglary, and theft by unlawful taking from a building \$500 or more but under \$10,000, waive to grand jury.

Timothy Scott Childress,

reckless driving, fleeing or evading police, five counts of wanton endangerment, waive to grand jury.

Randall W. Luttrell, display of illegal/altered registration plate, failure of non-owner operator to maintain insurance, operating on a suspended/revoked operator's license, plea of guilty, \$290.50; no/expired registration plates and no/expired Ky. registration receipt, merge.

Robert Raymond Woda, failure to wear seat belts and first offense DUI, motion to suppress sustained, dismissed.

## Casey Circuit Civil judgments

Asset Acceptance v. Lester Owens, judgment for Asset Acceptance, \$8,598 plus interest and fees.

Capital One Bank vs. Kathym Cort, judgement for Capital One, \$5,002 plus interest and fees.

Central Bank and Trust Co. vs. Ray Baldock, judgment for Central Bank, \$12,108 plus interest and fees.

Central Bank and Trust Co. vs. Eva M. Allen, judgment for Central Bank, \$12,053 plus interest and fees.

Central Bank and Trust Co. vs. Bransky Bernard II also known as Stephen Bernard II, judgment for Central Bank, \$11,015 plus interest and fees.

LVN Corp. vs. Tim and Lena Elmore, judgment for LVN and order of sale, \$53,000 plus interest and fees.

Midland Funding vs. Malinda Brown, judgement for Midland, \$12,115 plus interest and fees.



## More than 100 KSP personnel file suit

According to *The State Journal*, a group of more than 100 Kentucky State Police Commercial Vehicle Enforcement officers and supervisors filed a civil lawsuit in Franklin Circuit Court on Dec. 16 claiming wage discrimination.

Both KSP and Commissioner Rodney Brewer are named as defendants in the case.

The lawsuit alleges that the officers are "compensated at a substantially lower rate of pay than Kentucky State Police troopers and cadets."

It goes on to say that as Commercial Vehicle Enforcement officers, the plaintiffs perform the same or similar duties as troopers and cadets.

Commercial Vehicle Enforcement is a division of state police, staffed with sworn officers, weight and safety inspectors and civilian staff, according to KSP's website.

The site said the officers enforce state and federal laws and regulations, focusing on commercial vehicles.

All 107 plaintiffs — current and former Commercial Vehicle Enforcement employees — are seeking an unspecified amount of compensatory and punitive damages.

The lawsuit comes less than two weeks after Brewer denied a grievance collectively filed by the plaintiffs, asking for the issue to be handled on an administrative level.

In his response to the grievance, Brewer stated that troopers' qualifications, requirements and duties are different than those of the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement officers, even though both may be sworn officers.

"Kentucky State Troopers undergo a very competitive, rigorous selection process and training program that by virtue of completing gives them a different set of knowledge, skills and abilities," Brewer wrote in the response. "Although CVE Officers are sometimes used for duties traditionally assigned to troopers, these instances are infrequent and mostly in a support capacity."

## Officials prepare for comeback for heroin in state

Heroin use hasn't recently been a problem in Hopkins County, but it's predicted by officials statewide to be making a come back, reports the *Madisonville Messenger*.

The deadly drug is predicted to enter the area from larger cities, and local officials believe educating the community about the dangers of the drug is important.

"From what I have been told it's cheap and easier to get," said Lori Blakely, director of the Pennyryle Narcotics Task Force. "It is similar to meth and causes hallucinations, loss of appetite and endangers organs."

The street drug, which became popular in the 1970s, has been reported as close as Daviess, McCracken and Marshall counties.

"We are staring to hear about heroin making a comeback," said Stu Recke, a spokesman for the Kentucky State Police Post 2. "Education is the key. It's like any other drug, it's out there and we need to educate people on the dangers."

Recke said he has been living in the area

since 1993 and has not previously heard of the drug being a problem.

"Typically around here, the problems have been with abusing alcohol, meth and marijuana," Recke said.

Heroin is processed from morphine and typically sold as a white or brownish powder, or a black sticky substance.

"It is highly addictive," Recke said. "It can be snorted, smoked or injected. It enters the brain rapidly."

The illegal drug is believed to be replacing prescription pills because of the crackdown made by lawmakers in 2012.

"A lot of people are reverting from prescriptions over to heroin," Blakeley said. "The main problem with heroin is you don't know how pure it is. When the drug is more pure there is a higher risk of overdose."

Statewide, heroin overdose deaths accounted for 19.56 percent of drug overdose cases, according to a report issued by the Kentucky Office of Drug Policy.

KSP encourages the public to call their anonymous toll free hot-line with information regarding heroin in the area, call 1 (800) DOPE-TIP.

## Motor fuels tax rate to decline by 1.5 cents per gallon on Jan. 1

Kentucky's gas tax on sales of gasoline, diesel and ethanol motor fuels will decrease by 1.5 cents per gallon on New Year's Day, reflecting a drop in the calculated average wholesale fuel price.

The decrease would result in a loss to the Kentucky Road Fund of about \$45 million on an annualized basis.

"The Road Fund is our source of revenue for building, improving and maintaining Kentucky roads and bridges, so any loss of revenue is concerning," Kentucky Transportation Secretary Mike Hancock said in a state news release.

The tax on motor fuels is a classic user fee, paid by those who use public highways and bridges. It has three components: Variable excise tax; Supplemental user fee of 5 cents per gallon; and Underground Storage Tank cleanup fee of 1.4 cents per gallon.

There also is a federal tax of 18.4 cents per gallon of gasoline.

The excise tax was enacted in 1920. But in the 1980s, the Kentucky Legislature provided for a variable excise tax as a percentage of average wholesale price (AWP) of gas and diesel.

The variable excise tax rises, falls or stays unchanged from quarter to quarter on the basis of a survey of AWP of motor fuels. The survey is conducted by the Department of Revenue in the first month of each quarter (January, April, July and October) and the change in rate — if any — takes effect on the first day of the first month of the following quarter.

For purposes of the excise tax rate, the amount of any increase in the AWP is capped at 10 percent, per year.

By virtue of the October 2013 survey, the state variable excise tax will decline by 1.5 cents per gallon on Jan. 1, 2014 — to 24.4 cents per gallon from 25.9 cents. The last decrease in the excise tax was in October 2010.

# HOROSCOPES

Dec. 25-31

### CAPRICORN

December 22-January 19  
Remember that words said in the heat of the moment will not soon be forgotten, Capricorn. Don't forget to employ some tact when discussing serious matters with loved ones.

### AQUARIUS

January 20-February 18  
Aquarius, this week you will have to be very convincing if you want plans to go your way. Brush up on your approach and give thought to exactly what it is you want to say.

### PISCES

February 19-March 20  
Take a few days to let your mind wander, Pisces. You will probably find being a free spirit to be a refreshing break from the norm.

### ARIES

March 21-April 19  
Aries, some difficulty awaits you, but you are strong and fully capable of handling what's coming your way. Maintain your composure and stick it out a little longer.

### TAURUS

April 20-May 20  
Taurus, this is your week to shine and let everyone at work know just how talented and devoted you are to the team. Enjoy the fanfare while you can get it.

### GEMINI

May 21-June 21  
Distractions are lurking, Gemini, but you will still manage to get things done. Somehow you find the focus needed to muddle through all the work.

### CANCER

June 22-July 22  
Trust someone close to you with a few of your secrets, Cancer. Holding them in may only cause you grief in the long run. Don't worry, your confidante will be supportive.

### LEO

July 23-August 22  
Leo, an investment opportunity has piqued your interest. Until you sign over the funds, be sure to research everything thoroughly and call in some expert advice.

### VIRGO

August 23-September 22  
Virgo, you have a lot on your plate, but you can handle it on your own. If things are to get done, you will get them accomplished of your own accord, even if it takes longer.

### LIBRA

September 23-October 22  
Some added confidence is all you need to get back on the right track, Libra. Things are bound to work out in your favor, especially when you put your mind to something.

### SCORPIO

October 23-November 21  
Scorpio, just when skepticism seems to be taking over, you will discover once in a while there are a few surprises with happy endings. Enjoy your good luck.

### SAGITTARIUS

November 22-December 21  
Sagittarius, though unusual, your behavior might seem perfectly reasonable to you. But unless you share your thoughts with others, they may wonder what is going on.

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## ANNIVERSARY



## 60th anniversary

James and Jane Lee of Columbus, Ind. will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on Dec. 25 with a card shower. They were married in 1953 in a private ceremony. James "J.D." and Jane were born and reared in Liberty. He is the son of the late Noble and Della Lee. Jane is the daughter of the late Charlie and Ida Mae Whited. The couple has a son, Jeff of Columbus, Ind. and a daughter, Jonie (and John) Gates of Martinsville, Ind.; two grandchildren, Mikel and Lindsey; and four great-grandchildren, Logan, Joslin, Gavin and Jeremiah. Family and friends may send cards to James D. and Jane Lee, 367 W. 550 S., Columbus, Ind. 47201.

## More Letters to Santa

## Hannah

Dear Santa,  
My name is Hannah Lee. I want Gak. Could you please bring my brother Hunter some Gak. I also want some Squeazy Freezy. I want the toy to make animal cookies and also a real kitty. I have been really good.

Love,  
Hannah Lee  
Jones Park

## Seber

Dear Santa,  
I want an Angry Bird Telo Pods, a poodle, Star Action figures, SongeBob 2nd Christmas, Adventure Time Toys, Adventure Time Movies, laptop, I Phone, I Pod, I Phone2, 3 DS XL, 2 DS, robot dog, and an Uncle Si.

Love,  
Seber Pittman  
Jones Park

## Brooklyn

Dear Santa,  
I have been very good this year. I'd like a cake, Pop Maker, Playhouse, Redhead My Life Doll, My Life clothes, an Cookie Mixes for my easy bake oven.

Love,  
Brooklyn Clements  
Jones Park

## Shawn

Dear Santa,  
I know that I have been good this year so here is my list: boots, toboggan, a truck and toys.

Love,  
Shawn Phelps  
Jones Park

## Landen

Dear Santa,  
I want an IPod and I want Blets Leg football game and I Phone 5 and a speaker for my X-Box, so I can talk to people.

Love, Landen Bedford  
Jones Park

## Sophia

Dear Santa,  
I would like a big I Pod and I want it to be big. I want a Barbie Phone and I want a Baby Doll with blond Hair.

Love, Sophia Lynn  
Jones Park

## Nevaeh

Dear Santa,  
I want a IPod, a DS, Stompies, Pillow Pet, make-up, Monster High Doll, a fake telephone, a toy dog, a toy cat and an Elf on a Shelf and other surprises.

Love, Nevaeh Southerland  
Jones Park

*Editor's Note: These Letters to Santa were left out of last week's special section by mistake, but are printed here as the children wrote them and have been safely delivered to the North Pole.*



Kathy Bianchi stood with her granddaughter Makayla Fox, 8, next to a display of coal-themed candles at Southern Wholesale in Harlan. Profits from candle sales will be used to help laid-off coal miners.

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## Goose Creek Candle aiding miners in Harlan

By Bill Estep  
Lexington Herald-Leader

Amid the deepening gloom of layoffs from Eastern Kentucky coal mines, Rie Whitfield and Kathy Bianchi decided to light a candle rather than curse the darkness.

A whole bunch of candles, actually.

The two came up with an idea to sell coal-themed decorative candles and use the proceeds to pay electricity bills for Harlan County miners laid off during the slump in the regional coal industry, which has wiped out thousands of jobs.

They started with a goal of raising \$5,000, but people who had heard about the idea through social media started asking for the candles before the first shipment came in.

The project has raised \$16,000 so far, which includes a \$2,500 donation from Kentucky Utilities, Whitfield said.

Now they've set their sights on \$20,000.

"It's been crazy, but exciting," Whitfield said. "We were hoping to help a little bit, but I think we're going to help a lot."

The Goose Creek Candle Company in Casey County makes the candles, which sell for \$20.

The company is donating most of its profits from the candles to the project, which is being managed by a group called Harlan 20/20, said Micah Meece, son of Goose Creek owners Chuck and Tammy Meece.

Meece said the company wanted to aid the miners, but the project also is helping the company recover from a fire in May that

destroyed its production facility.

The coal candles are on sale at several locations in Harlan County. They also are available at Joseph-Beth Booksellers in Lexington and through the candle company online, Meece said.

"The candles have done phenomenal," he said, with orders going to several states.

Whitfield and Bianchi are members of Harlan 20/20, which has carried out a number of civic projects, including cleaning up vacant buildings, putting hanging baskets in downtown Harlan and arranging for a new welcome sign for the city.

One night after a movie, the two started talking about how the group might help laid-off miners, and hit on the idea of paying their electric bills.

Most of the state's electricity originates from coal, after all.

"We were trying to think of something different that they all needed," said Whitfield, a retired speech pathologist whose late husband ran a coal company.

It wasn't clear at first how they would pull off the project. Bianchi said she started thinking about ways to get jars and candle-making equipment, but fate took a hand.

When Whitfield told her daughter and son-in-law about the idea, it turned out he knew Meece.

Whitfield, whom Bianchi describes as the Energizer Bunny, called Meece to pitch the idea to help laid-off miners. He quickly agreed Goose

Creek would partner with Harlan 20/20, Whitfield said.

They had samples in a week.

"It was just like it all fell into place so easily we couldn't believe it," Bianchi said.

Brandon Pennington, director of the Harlan Tourist and Convention Commission, designed a label for the candles, using a photo of a coal train by Brandon Goins and one of the mottoes supporters use to describe coal's value: Coal Keeps The Lights On.

The candles come in Goose Creek's three top fragrances, but the wax is dyed black to represent coal.

Members of Harlan 20/20 had begun promoting the candles before learning the first shipment would be later than anticipated.

Whitfield and Bianchi drove to Knoxville one night to pick up the candles because so many people were asking about them, Bianchi said.

There has been a feeling of depression over the coal layoffs, Bianchi said; people got excited about the candle project because they saw it as a way to help miners.

"I've never seen such a frenzy," said Bianchi, who has been in retail sales for 30 years. Her family operates Southern Wholesale, a building-supply store which is one of the Harlan locations selling the candles.

Whitfield said all the money that comes to Harlan 20/20 will go toward paying the electricity bills

of laid-off miners. The group is working with the local employment office and community action agency to get names of people to help.

The group hopes to keep the project going all winter, Whitfield said.

"We're going to keep pushing," she said.

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**10 Years Ago  
Dec. 24, 2003**

A Liberty Police Department Officer and the City of Liberty were named in a \$16 million lawsuit. The lawsuit alleges that police officer Leo Cook's actions on the night of July 30 were unreasonable. It also alleged that the victim, Leon Brown, posed no immediate threat to Cook's or others' safety and there was no reason to shoot Brown. Cook was indicted for second-degree manslaughter on Oct. 17.

Lindsay Rayborn and Josh Durham were the winners of the "Letter's to Santa" letter writing contest, sponsored by The Casey County News.

Liberty Police Officer Brian Allen was among 23 graduates of the Law Enforcement Basic Training Class 335. The 16 week academy is held at the Kentucky Department of Criminal Justice Training in Richmond and included training in areas such as law offense and procedures, vehicle operations, firearms, investigations, first aid/CPR, patrol procedures and mechanics of arrest, restraint, and control.

John "J.L." Davis was awarded first place in the Best Decorated Yard Contest sponsored by the Liberty/Casey County Chamber of Commerce. His son, David Davis, won second place honors. Davis estimates that he used around 20,000 lights.

A spiral sliced ham or turkey dinner was \$33.88 and a 5-pound bag of Domino sugar was two for \$3 at Food Center.

A carton of Winston cigarettes were \$20.99 and a pack was \$2.24 at Abe's Pic-Pac Super Market.

Obituaries: Ova Edwards, 87; Ina B. McPhail, 96; Wilmoth L. Smith, 59; James H. Wilham, 82; Fran-

ces Goode, 85; Julius Robin Means, 40; Dallas Stafford, 82; Ralph Helm, 85; Ruth T. Sanders, 97; Merl Toms, 79; Ernest B. Wilson, 89.

**20 Years Ago  
Dec. 22, 1993**

Chester Andrew Greynolds, a native of Scott County, was hired as Casey County's new solid waste coordinator.

The 1993 Casey County Toys for Tots program benefited more than 275 eligible children in the county.

Jimmy Wayne Short of Dunnville was admitted to a Lexington hospital after he accidentally shot himself in the leg with a .44 magnum pistol.

Vandals used a knife to cut panels of vinyl siding that had been installed on a home under construction on Hustonville Street by the local Habitat for Humanity affiliate.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd T. Russell and Mr. and Mrs. Unas Marples celebrated their 50th wedding anniversaries.

Casey County was chosen to receive an \$8,335 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the area.

The Casey County Hospital was told by fiscal court that it would be responsible for the cost of installing a new roof on the Family Practice Clinic. The hospital was receiving a monthly rent income of \$800 from the clinic that the court authorized for the new roof.

Obituaries: Earl James Meece, 69; George T. Smith Sr., 79; Cordelia H. Roberts, 85; Ada Pearl Crowe, 80.

**30 Years Ago  
Dec. 21, 1983**

An open letter from Santa Claus to all the children in



Photo submitted/JOHN EMERSON

**Blacksmith shop**

This picture was made in the late 1930s and shows a group gathered at Chester Emerson's blacksmith shop located in Gilpin. Emerson is shown working on the horse shoe. Pete Emerson is the boy to the left and Rance Cain is on the right. The man behind Emerson is unidentified.

the county appeared in *The Casey County News*.

Debbie Tapscott was hired as a secretary at the office of Casey County Judge Executive Garland Hoskins.

Christmas art drawn by high school art teacher Otis "Pete" Patton and his students was featured in *The Casey County News*.

The winners of the "Letters to Santa" contest, sponsored by The Casey County

News, were Melissa Kay Sharp and Steve Hatter.

Liberty attorney Roger Elliott was one of three persons being considered for district judge. The position opened when current district judge, Paul Barry Jones, was elected circuit judge in a November election.

Casey County Judge Executive Garland Hoskins was seeking a grant for a feasibility study of a can-

ning factory to locate in the county.

Kenneth Rodgers, 17, survived being pinned beneath his car for three hours in below 20-degree temperatures following a one-vehicle accident on Ky. 1547. A motorist came upon the accident and summoned help. Rodgers came out of the accident with only minor injuries.

Obituaries: Ella Sharp, 98; Marie Atwood Roberts,

61; Della B. Austin, 82; Billy James Vires, 8; Teresa Christine Cooper, 37.

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Friday, Dec. 27 at 12 noon**

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# Lady Rebs win holiday tournament in Campbellsville

By Rita “Peat” Harris  
Sports Correspondent

It has been a joyful holiday season for the Lady Rebel basketball team who competed in and won the Campbellsville High School 2013 Food Pantry Holiday Classic tournament last weekend.

The Casey County team — their first time playing in the tournament since 2009 — won three games over three days’ time in the eight team tournament. They won the tournament in 2008 and 2009, making this their third consecutive championship in their appearances.

## vs. John Hardin

Casey began their week on Thursday when they faced John Hardin (5-3). Casey earned an eight point victory, 55-47.

“They’re a pretty athletic team and they did a good job taking it to the basket,” said Coach Randy Salyers.

John Hardin led 22-19 at halftime, but a strong second half would see the Lady Rebels outscore the opponent 36-25.

“We put them on the free throw line more than we wanted to,” said Salyers. “Christin (Terry) was scoreless at half time. Christin carried us pretty well the second half.”

Terry, a junior, scored 15 points in the second half, nearly half of the team’s total points.

Eight of John Hardin’s 47 points came at the free throw line, but in the end, Salyers said he was pleased

with his team’s defense.

“Our goal is to hold teams under 40 points and we came close to that,” said Salyers.

Lakken Miller led the team with 22 points, followed by Terry’s 15.

## vs. Russell County

The Lady Rebels returned on Friday to play the Russell County Lady Lakers (2-5, 1-0) in round two. They again prevailed, taking down the Lady Lakers 63-48.

Casey doubled the Lady Lakers’ scoring efforts in the first quarter, going up 20-10, and leading 29-20 at the half.

“We jumped out on them and it stayed at a nine or ten point lead,” said Salyers. “From that point I don’t think the game was in doubt. At one point they cut it down to six, maybe.”

The Lady Rebs stretched their lead by four more in the third quarter and outscored Russell by ten in the final eight minutes, resulting in the 15-point victory.

Terry had a standout game with 19 points, nine rebounds, three assists and four steals. Miller and Rebel teammate Tiara Cochran each had 12 points. The team totaled 29 rebounds, 17 assists and 11 steals.

## vs. Frankfort

In the championship game on Saturday, Casey faced Frankfort (4-6, 1-2) who defeated both Campbellsville (0-7, 0-2) and Barren County (2-6, 0-2) to advance to the finals. The Lady Rebels triumphed 60-49.

Frankfort held an early lead, 13-9, in the first quarter, a lead that would evaporate by the end of the first half, with Casey going into the break leading 20-19.

During the third quarter, the Lady Rebels stretched their lead to ten points before Frankfort attempted to rally in the final eight minutes of play. Casey’s lead was too much, though, and the Lady Rebels prevailed, claiming the tournament championship.

“We showed some real, what I like to call ‘spurt-ability,’” said Salyers, referring to several instances in the game when the Lady Rebels went on high scoring spurts. “In the third quarter we got up an 8-10 point lead and had another spurt in the fourth quarter.”

Cochran put up the most points with 15, followed by Miller who had 14. Terry also reached double digits with 10 while Mariah Richardson had seven.

“We were pretty balanced in scoring. Mariah probably had her best game of the year,” Salyers said. “The championship game was really balanced. Frankfort really zeroed in on Lakken and keeping her from having the ball, so someone else has to step forward.”

Brooke Snow and Miller each had seven rebounds.

Casey County’s girls will take a break after Christmas rather than competing in a second holiday tournament. They’ll return to action when they hit the road on Jan. 3 to face Rockcastle County, the only district team they have not faced this season.



photo/SUBMITTED

The Lady Rebels brought home the tournament trophy on Saturday by winning the Campbellsville High School 2013 Food Pantry Holiday Classic. The team beat John Hardin, Russell County, and Frankfort to win the tournament.

| STATISTICS   |    |    |    |    |    |
|--|----|----|----|----|----|
| Casey County   | 12 | 7  | 17 | 19 | 55 |
| John Hardin  | 14 | 8  | 12 | 13 | 47 |
| CASEY COUNTY (7-2, 1-1): Lakken Miller 22; Christin Terry 15; Tiara Cochran 8, 5 rebounds; Sarah Beard 3; Kelli Wilson 3; Callee Bastin 2; Mariah Richardson 2.  |    |    |    |    |    |
| JOHN HARDIN (5-3): Zacchea Small 23; Tyla Jackson 10; Emily Bohannon 5; Tajah Haley 5; Nawdya Fletcher 2; Tamera Taylor 2.   |    |    |    |    |    |
| Casey County   | 20 | 9  | 8  | 3  | 63 |
| Russell County   | 10 | 10 | 12 | 16 | 48 |
| CASEY COUNTY: Terry 19, 3 assists, 9 rebounds, 4 steals; Cochran 12, 6 rebounds; Miller 12, 4 assists; Beard 9, 3 assists, 5 rebounds; Brooke Snow 8; Lashaya Carman 2; Wilson 1, 4 assists, 3 steals. |    |    |    |    |    |
| RUSSELL COUNTY (2-5, 2-0): Madison Loy 17; Kaitlyn Coffey 10; Baylee Hadley 8; Danielle Walters 7; Jaylen Elmore 4; Madelyn Preston 2.   |    |    |    |    |    |
| Casey County   | 9  | 11 | 20 | 20 | 60 |
| Frankfort  | 13 | 6  | 11 | 19 | 49 |
| CASEY COUNTY: Cochran 15, 4 assists, 3 steals; Miller 14, 7 rebounds; Terry 10, 5 rebounds; Richardson 7, 3 steals; Snow 6, 7 rebounds; Beard 4; Wilson 3, 4 assists, ; Carman 1.                      |    |    |    |    |    |
| FRANKFORT (4-6, 1-2): Brianna Burbridge 16; Jade Morgan 13; Jasmine Turpin 10; Jayne Yocum 10.   |    |    |    |    |    |

# Rebels and Lady Rebels fall to Somerset in doubleheader

By Rita “Peat” Harris  
Sports Correspondent

In their second district double-header of the season, both the Rebels and Lady Rebels found themselves at a disadvantage to Somerset High School on Dec. 17 at home.

The girls’ team came up three points short in the 67-64 loss while the boys’ team saw a weak second half and fell 68-54.

## Lady Rebels

After narrowly pulling out a win in their first district game over Pulaski County, the Lady Rebels (7-2, 1-1) lost to the Somerset Lady Briar Jumpers (4-5, 2-0), 67-64.

According to Coach Randy Salyers, defense and free throws were the team’s shortcoming

“Offensively we were doing fine,” said Salyers. “Defensively we couldn’t locate people, we weren’t rotating or screening out. We didn’t get out on the shooters. We were struggling.”

A close game from start to finish, Casey lost the first quarter lead when Somerset hit a three-point shot to close the period.

The Lady Briar Jumpers stayed on top until halfway through the second quarter. Down 26-21, Casey hit six out of eight free throws to go up 27-26. Somerset stole the

lead back shortly thereafter, but Lakken Miller closed the half with a trey to give Casey a one point lead at halftime, 35-34.

Unfortunately, the lead would not put momentum on Casey’s side to start the third quarter. Somerset went on a 10-0 run over the Lady Rebs in the opening three minutes of play, moving the score to 35-44.

Two free throws from Miller ended Casey’s scoreless streak but was followed by Christin Terry’s fourth foul.

Casey managed to cut Somerset’s lead to only four and by the end of the third the score stood 46-42, with Somerset leading.

Terry picked up her fifth foul at 5:45 to play with the team down by two; however, Tiara Cochran came up with five straight points, including a three-pointer, to give Casey a 53-51 lead.

Somerset tied it up twice and took the lead back over the next 90 seconds. A basket from Miller put Casey up 57-56, a lead they maintained until Somerset drained a three with 1:36 to play.

Casey would lead once more, 62-61, with a basket from Cochran at 1:19. A minute later she’d see her fifth and final foul of the game and by then Somerset had regained the lead.

Trailing 65-62, Casey had the ball with 10.3 seconds remaining and the chance to tie

the game but an immediate turnover gave the ball back to the Lady Briar Jumpers, who went on to win 67-62.

“They hit some big shots down the stretch,” Salyers said. “With a minute and a half to go we had two turnovers and a charge, but really it boiled down to free throws.”

Miller led the team with 27 points, followed by senior Sarah Beard who had 14. Beard also led the team in rebounds and assists having six and three respectively.

## Rebels

A close game for three-fourths of the way, the Rebels (3-5, 0-1) took their second district loss when they fell 68-54 to the Somerset Briar Jumpers (4-4, 1-1).

Somerset jumped out to a 5-0 lead. It was 4:35 before Casey freshman Jake Smith took the ball to the basket and drew a foul that led to a three-point play to put the Rebels on the board, 5-3.

Casey remained close the rest of the quarter, tyingw the score three times before going ahead for the first time with less than a minute on the clock. They ended the quarter with a one-point lead, 13-12.

The Briar Jumpers regained the lead less than two minutes into the second quarter and the period saw three more lead changes. Casey took the lead at 2:20 left in



photo/CHRIS ZOLLNER

Christin Terry is surrounded by defenders in the Dec. 17 home game against Somerset. The Lady Rebs kept it close much of the game but lost by three points, 67-63.

the half and held on to it to maintain a one-point lead at the half, 29-28.

The Rebels’ momentum continued in the second half as they stretched their lead to four points in the third quarter; however, things would begin to unwind in the final eight minutes of play.

Turnovers and mistakes led to Somerset regaining the lead and putting up points that went unanswered. The score got away from Casey when they began to foul in attempt to regain possession but it only led to more Somerset points and a final score of 68-54.

| STATISTICS   |    |    |    |    |    |
|--|----|----|----|----|----|
| Lady Rebels  | 15 | 20 | 7  | 22 | 64 |
| Somerset   | 18 | 16 | 12 | 21 | 67 |
| CASEY COUNTY: Lakken Miller 26; Sarah Beard 14, 3 assists, 6 rebounds; Tiara Cochran 9, 3 assists; Mariah Richardson 7; Brooke Snow 4; Christin Terry 3; Kelli Wilson 1. |    |    |    |    |    |
| SOMERSET: Virginia Scott 27; Brynlee Bigelow 12; Topanga Brown 9; Kaitlin Johnson 8; Madison Brooks 6; Maranda Mills 5.  |    |    |    |    |    |
| Rebels   | 13 | 16 | 25 | 54 |    |
| Somerset   | 12 | 16 | 40 | 68 |    |
| Individual statistics unavailable.   |    |    |    |    |    |

# Rebels split doubleheader at McCreary Central

By Rita “Peat” Harris  
Sports Correspondent

The Rebel basketball team played last weekend at McCreary Central High School competing in the Arby’s KFC Holiday Classic with seven other teams.

Casey County saw both a win and a loss on Saturday, bringing their overall record to 3-5, 0-2.

The team started their day facing the McCreary Central Raiders (0-7). The Rebels dominated the Raiders and won 83-54.

Casey returned later that day only to lose a close one to the Glasgow Scotties (4-3, 0-1), 58-54.

|              |    |
|--------------|----|
| Casey County | 54 |
| Glasgow      | 58 |

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Casey County     | 83 |
| McCreary Central | 54 |

Individual statistics unavailable at press time.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Straight Shooters

The 4-H Straight Shooters will begin practice at the Sportsman’s Club every second and fourth Sunday of the month at 2 p.m. This will begin Jan. 12 and continue through March as weather permits.

Hunter Education

Hunter’s Education classes will be given Feb. 20, 21 and 22 at the Casey County Extension Office through the Dept. of Fish and Wildlife. The classes are open to any youth age 9 or above in Casey County and surrounding counties to obtain their orange cards. Pre-registration is required at fw.ky.gov.

Skeet Shooting

Skeet shooting is now held every Thursday at 6 p.m. at the Sportsman’s Club.

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REBEL OF THE WEEK

Saluting Jake Smith CCHS Freshman

Freshman Jake Smith is a guard on the CCHS Rebel basketball team.

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# Rebs volleyball team celebrates 2013 season

## VolleyRebs recognized at annual banquet

By Rita “Peat” Harris  
Sports Correspondent

The Casey County volleyball team concluded their 2013 season on Nov. 23 with a relaxed banquet event held at the high school.

The athletes were recognized and honored with a plaque for the season that included their position and varsity statistics. The eight seniors were also presented scrapbooks.

After the meal and awards, the team opted to spend the remainder of the time doing their favorite thing — playing volleyball.

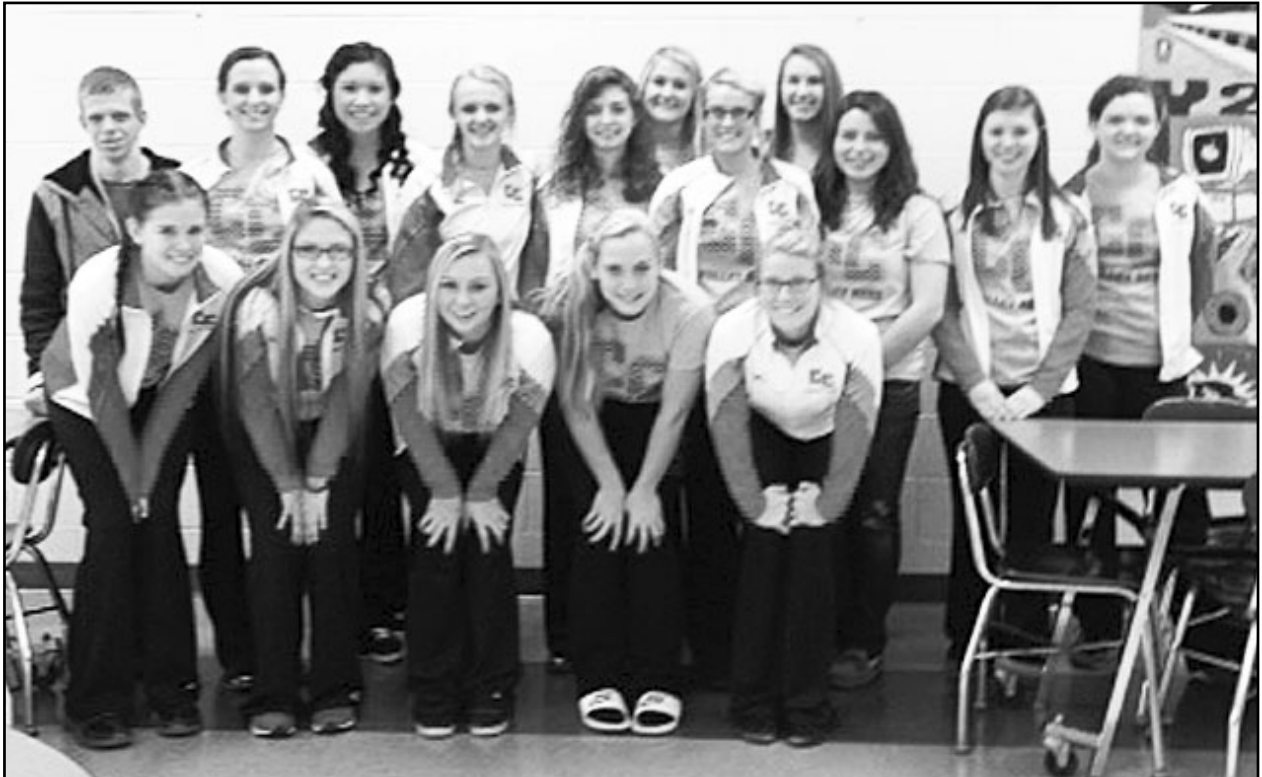
“Afterwards, the girls wanted to come down to the gym and play vol-

leyball, so that’s what we did,” said Coach Veronica Sengkhamyong.

Sengkhamyong also thanked and recognized those who were highly involved and supported the team this season, including parents and the assistant coach, Angie McQueary.

“I also want to thank Stephanie Watts, who was a volunteer. She did so much for us,” said Sengkhamyong. Watts traveled with the team all season and kept the books as well as undertaking numerous other tasks.

The team finished with an 18-8 record and as the 47th District Runner-up. They will graduate eight athletes this spring.



The 2013 VolleyRebs team celebrated its season with a banquet at Casey County High School on Nov. 23. Front row, from left, Amber Yarnal, Allison Clark, Hanna Wahl, Mariah Richardson, and Kayla Wilson. Back row, Clayton Carol, Cydney Warner, Tyra Sengkhamyong, Savannah Poff, Christine Shaffer, Megan Murphy, Kelli Wilson, Kelsey Wethington, Haley Middleton, Jenna Carman, and Brookley Davis.

## SPORTS TALK

### A look back at 2013 sports highlights

2013 was a great year for sports at Casey County High School, with the women’s basketball team earning back-to back district titles, among other highlights.

#### 1. Track & Field State Champions: Micah Smith & Shelby Stringer

Casey has done well to bring home an occasional single state champion from the KHSAA 2A State Track and Field, but last spring both the girls’ and boys’ team featured a gold medalist. Micah Smith, a 2013 graduate, cleared 6 feet 4 inch in the high jump to set a new school record and take first among the state competition. Stringer not only won the girls’ pole vault, but her height of 10 feet tied the state record, in addition to re-breaking her CCHS school record.

#### 2. Girls’ tennis team wins 12th Regional Championship

The Lady Rebel tennis squad returned a team last spring that earned the regional runner-up title for the first time in school history in 2012. They made history again when the team advanced both of its singles competitors and both of its doubles teams to the semifinals of the regional tournament and went on to claim the 12th Region title for the first time, which meant the ladies competed at state as a team for the first time in school history.

#### 3. Girls Cross Country team qualifies for state

After having only a single varsity runner in 2012, the girls’ cross country team qualified a team for the 2A State meet for the first time since 2007. The team was composed of only three high school athletes, Kelsey Arthur, Tiara Cochran and Caitlyn Pollick, while the bulk of the team were seventh grade

Rita “Peat” HARRIS  
Sports Correspondent



athletes: Hailee Byrd, Laura Cuin, Breanna Davison, Noel Davison and Jenna Vaughn. With no seniors, the team hopes for a repeat in 2014.

#### 4. CCHS adds girls’ soccer team

The high school added a new sport, girls’ varsity soccer. The last new sport came in 2003 with the cross country team. With a small roster and a limited number of games, the team, coached by Jeremy Franks, picked up two wins in its first season and qualified for the district tournament.

#### 5. Lady Rebel basketball earns back-to-back district titles

For only the second time in school history, the Lady Rebel basketball team earned back-to-back district titles. The last time this happened was 2003 and 2004 when Casey County was part of the 45th District, rather than the 47th District. The team went on to compete in the 12th Region finals, facing Lincoln County for the second year in a row. The Lady Rebs narrowly missed a trip to the Sweet Sixteen Tournament when they lost by two in overtime.

#### 6. Coach Randy Salyers announces upcoming retirement

Lady Rebel head coach Randy Salyers earned a spot in the 12th Region Coaches Association Hall of Fame last March as an athlete during the regional tournament. Shortly thereafter, the coach announced that the 2013-14 season would be his last year

coaching the CCHS girls’ team, ending a career that began in the fall of 1995 and has had more than 300 wins.

#### 7. Maze Stallworth hired as new boys’ basketball coach

After a two-year stint as boys’ basketball head coach, Darry Burkett was fired from the position last spring. Maze Stallworth was hired as the new coach over the summer and began his first season with the Rebels this fall.

#### 8. Softball team earns district runner-up

After a season with only three total wins in 2012, the Lady Rebels advanced to the 47th District finals and took home the runner-up trophy after losing by one run to Rockcastle County. It was the team’s first trip to the 12th Region tournament since 2005.

#### 9. VolleyRebs earn district runner-up

The VolleyRebs continue to represent Casey County well with yet another trip to the 12th Region tournament. They earned the 47th District runner-up title after falling to Pulaski County in the championship game. They prevailed over Danville at the region and then fell to Wayne County in the second round, who went on to become the regional champs.

#### 10. Boys’ tennis regional runner-up

The boys’ team took the 12th Region runner-up title, something somewhat unexpected.. 2012 was the first year since 2007 that the Rebels did not earn the regional runner-up or championship title. The team, which graduated its only 2012 state contender, came back with four seniors that led the team’s regional performance with three seniors advancing to the state tournament.

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for a Kentucky Tuition Grant (KTG) in addition to a CAP Grant. To qualify for KTG, a student must show financial need and be enrolled full-time.

Funding for CAP and KTG is limited, with awards made on a first-come, first-served basis. Award amounts will be set in February.

For more information about CAP and KTG, view the KHEAA-administered programs under the Paying for College section on [www.kheaa.com](http://www.kheaa.com) or email [grants@kheaa.com](mailto:grants@kheaa.com).

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# Several motions filed in Salyer's case

By Larry Rowell  
Editor

Defense lawyers wrangled with the prosecution on Dec. 18 concerning several key motions that were filed in an upcoming murder trial. Casey Circuit Court Judge Judy Vance ruled on the motions filed by both sides in the high profile case.

Vance has set the trial of David Salyers for Jan. 6. Salyers is charged with complicity to commit murder in the Sept. 26, 2012 shooting death of Gleason Pyles at Tarter Gate in Dunnville. Prosecutors maintain that Salyers was the wheelman for William "Bobby" Rigdon, who is accused of chasing Pyles and shooting him three times.

Special prosecutor Shawna Virgin Kincer, executive director of special prosecutions in Kentucky Attorney General Jack Conway's office, will represent the Commonwealth in the trial that's been set to last two weeks.

## Motions

Kincer has filed motions asking that Salyers and Rigdon be tried together, a move that defense attorneys Jude Hagan and Shelby Horn strongly op-

posed, saying that it wasn't clear that the cases were ever joined. Hagan represents Salyers while Horn, a public defender, represents Rigdon.

Vance upheld an earlier ruling that the men would be tried separately, with Rigdon's trial scheduled for September.

Kincer also asked that Vance assign court security exclusively to Kentucky State Police officers. As many as six troopers in uniform and in plain clothes have attended prior pretrial conferences, and that, in addition to Casey County Sheriff's deputies, Liberty police officers, and armed court officers.

Horn said that having an overt KSP presence in the courtroom will send a message to the jury that is highly prejudicial.

"I will file for a mistrial," Horn said, adding that though he disagrees with Vance's ruling to give security duties to KSP, he respects it.

The prosecution moved that a veteran senior agent with Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms be allowed to testify as an expert witness concerning motorcycle gang terminology and culture.

Both Salyers and Rigdon are members of the

Iron Horsemen motorcycle gang and the prosecution alleges that Rigdon gunned down Gleason because he was trying to leave the gang and also because of a \$5,000 debt he owed Salyers on a motorcycle.

Agent Earl "Doug" Robinson infiltrated the Iron Horsemen in 1998 and is considered to be intimately acquainted with the language and culture, such as "colors" and trying to leave the gang "under bad standing."

In making the ruling to permit Robinson to testify, Vance said that she doubted the average Casey Countian would be familiar with these terms.

According to court documents, Robinson will testify about how someone would start a chapter, petition to become a member, the rules required for membership, and the significance of patches worn by gang members. He also will tell how a member can leave the gang under either a good or bad standing, and the consequences of both.

Hagan argued that Robinson's testimony would enflame the jury "and lend improper credibility to the prosecution's theory as to defendant's motive," calling the prosecution's theory that the murder was

gang related, "pure conjecture."

Vance also ruled that the prosecution would be allowed to conduct a videotaped deposition of Anthony Byrd, Salyers' brother-in-law, who is charged with criminal facilitation.

Jamestown attorney Jeff Hoover, who's representing Byrd, said in a previous hearing that Byrd is terminally ill with cancer and might not live to testify in the upcoming trials.

Hagan objected to the motion on the grounds that with a video deposition, he wouldn't have adequate time to prepare for cross examination.

Vance agreed to the motion and Byrd was deposed on Dec. 18, after the pretrial conference.

The Commonwealth believes that Byrd arranged for Pyles, a maintenance man at Tarter Gate, to be alone in an isolated part of the plant on the night of the murder.

Hagan once again asked for bond reduction for Salyers, saying it is crucial to have access to Salyers in order to properly prepare his defense. Vance denied his oral motion.

Salyers and Rigdon remain in the Casey County Detention Center under \$1 million bonds.

# Casey man killed in Friday wreck

Staff Report

A Casey County man was killed in a car accident on Friday night.

According to a press release from the Kentucky State Police Post 15 in Columbia, the accident occurred on Dec. 20 at 7:30 p.m. two miles north of Liberty on US 127. Clifton Hale, 53, of Liberty was driving his 2011 Nissan south on US 127 when the car dropped off the roadway.

Hale was unable to regain control of the vehicle, crossed a creek and struck a tree, the press release

stated.

Passenger Jesse Monday, 83, of Liberty was transported to the Casey County Hospital and was pronounced dead due to injuries sustained in the accident.

Hale was transported to Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center in Danville and was being treated for non-life threatening injuries.

Kentucky State Trooper Chris Saunders in investigating the collision. Casey County Sheriff's Deputy Freeman Luttrell assisted at the scene.

## — WANTED —

The following people are wanted by the Casey County Sheriff's Department on outstanding bench warrants. If anyone has any information on any of those listed below, they are asked to call the sheriff's office at (606) 787-6821. The bench warrants were active as of Dec. 23.

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Kaleb Compton  
Bethany Roberts  
Thomas Wethington  
Jimmy Mason  
George Webb  
Josh Hendrix  
Mindy Polston  
Whitney Murphy  
Roger High



## STREET BEAT

Taken from the Casey County E911 records, Street Beat represents a history of the initial calls and the information used by the dispatcher to send officers to investigate complaints. It is not an indication of what the officers found upon arrival at the scene or how police may have dealt with the complaint.

### Dec. 16

2:14 p.m., reckless driver on Hustonville St.  
3:50 p.m., officer out of car on Randolph St.  
4:40 p.m., DUI/alcohol on W. Ky. 70.  
7:36 p.m., extra patrol on South Fork Creek Rd.  
8:33 p.m., extra patrol on Taylor St.  
9:49 p.m., request officer on Bryant Ridge Rd.

### Dec. 17

4:15 a.m., non-injury accident on W. Ky. 70.  
7:42 a.m., breaking and entering at 7179 E. Ky. 70.  
8:39 a.m., reckless driver on W. Ky. 70.  
10:26 a.m., officer out of car on Tennessee Ridge Rd.  
10:32 a.m., officer out of car on Moxley Rd.  
12:53 p.m., officer out of car on Henson Creek Rd.  
3:52 p.m., traffic stop on Walnut Hill.  
4:51 p.m., reckless driver on W. Ky. 70.  
7:57 p.m., request officer

on Lower Brush Creek Rd.  
8:53 p.m., traffic stop on Bill Brown Rd.  
11:15 p.m., request officer on W. Ky. 70.

### Dec. 18

12:30 a.m., noise complaint at Shaker's.  
6:28 a.m., officer out of car on Trammel St.  
10:37 a.m., non-injury accident on Green River Valley Rd.  
4:35 p.m., welfare check at 2120 Ky. 910.  
5:12 p.m., suspicious vehicle on Maxey Valley Rd.  
5:45 p.m., breaking and entering on South Fork Ridge Rd.  
6:16 p.m., reckless driver on S. U.S. 127.  
6:46 p.m., officer out of car on Bastin Creek Rd.  
8:18 p.m., meth on Ky. 1547.

### Dec. 19

6:51 a.m., deer on Ky. 49.  
10:10 a.m., officer out of car on Hatter Creek Rd.  
10:37 a.m., officer out of car on E. K. 70.  
12:54 p.m., non-injury accident on W. Ky. 70.  
1:01 p.m., reckless driver on E. Ky. 70.  
2:41 p.m., officer out of car on Ewing Ridge Rd.  
3:28 p.m., request officer at 6788 Maxey Valley Rd.  
4:14 p.m., officer out of car on Ellison Rd.  
5:37 p.m., officer out of

car on Patsy Riffe Rd.  
5:53 p.m., request officer at 104 Montgomery St.  
6:15 p.m., officer out of car on Lower Brush Creek.  
7:40 p.m., officer out of car at Gateway Park.  
8:58 p.m., officer out of car on Strong Branch Rd.

### Dec. 20

12:15 a.m., motorist assist on Ky. 49.  
8:17 a.m., officer out of car on Albert Noe Rd.  
8:27 a.m., traffic stop on Dry Ridge.  
9:52 a.m., traffic stop on Hustonville St.  
11:09 a.m., officer out of car at Casey County Bank Dunnville.  
11:50 a.m., request officer at Southern Charm.  
1:39 p.m., theft at 242 Dry Ridge Rd.  
2:55 p.m., officer out of car on Bee Lee Rd.  
3:10 p.m., theft at 5142 Ky. 501.  
3:48 p.m., officer out of car on Creston Water Tower Rd.  
4:25 p.m., request officer at 106 Rough Ridge Spur Rd.  
4:43 p.m., officer out of car on Allen St.  
7:21 p.m., injury accident on N. U.S. 127.  
7:56 p.m., request officer on 1008 Bethelridge Rd.  
8:49 p.m., request officer at 85 High Point Rd.  
10:01 p.m., non-injury accident on Short Town Rd.

### Dec. 21

1:20 a.m., request officer on 5023 S. U.S. 127.  
10:19 a.m., non-injury accident on Ky. 49.  
11:04 a.m., non-injury accident on Ky. 49.  
1:02 p.m., officer out of car on Poplar Springs Rd.  
1:03 p.m., theft on Tennessee Ridge Rd.  
2:48 p.m., officer out of car on Possum Trot.  
3:34 p.m., reckless driver on E. Ky. 70.  
5:54 p.m., deer on S. U.S. 127.  
6:25 p.m. motorist assist on S. U.S. 127.  
6:39 p.m., deer on Elixir Springs Rd.  
7:26 p.m., request officer at 979 Hustonville St.  
9:24 p.m., request officer at 979 Hustonville St.  
9:33 p.m., request officer at 770 Willow Springs Rd.

### Dec. 22

11:59 a.m., traffic stop on Leonard Wilkinson Rd.  
1:19 p.m., vandalism at 979 Hustonville St.  
1:53 p.m., traffic stop on N. Wallace Wilkinson Blvd.  
3 p.m., request officer on S. Ky. 501.  
5:12 p.m., domestic in progress on N. Wallace Wilkinson Blvd.  
7:03 p.m., suspicious vehicle on Davidson Rd.  
10:45 p.m., officer out of car at Gateway Park.

## Fires

Continued from front  
it's been really good, Kaitlyn said.  
In addition, Charles said that his family is grateful that the community has stepped forward to help his family.  
"I want to thank everyone with the donations.

We really appreciate it," Combs said.

An account to receive monetary donations for the Combs has been set up at Casey County Bank. Other donations may be dropped off to the Combs at the Bedford Inn.

### Coy Mason Road

About 18 hours later, firefighters from Poplar Springs, East Casey, Clementsville, Evona, Dunnville, and Liberty fire departments were called to a house fire on Coy Mason Road.

Arriving just after 3:30

p.m., Poplar Springs firefighter Gary Vest said the one story home was fully engulfed, with firefighters battling the blaze for more than four hours.

Vest said the home's occupant, Ronald Zeiss, wasn't home at the time and no one was injured in the incident.

## Secret Santa

Continued from front  
on a white felt beard, like Santa Claus. All I could see was his eyes," Tonya said.  
"Are you Tonya Lawson?" Tonya said the man asked. When I said "yes," he said, "Merry Christmas," handed me a box, and turned around and walked out to his truck and left. I have no idea who this man was and I didn't recognize his voice," she said.  
After Tonya closed the

door, she and her daughters looked at the small red box and Kylee even wondered aloud if it was a bomb.

What they discovered upon opening the box would indeed blow them away.

"There was a little piece of paper that said 'Merry Christmas' on top of tissue paper inside the box. When I opened the paper, I couldn't believe it — it was 25 rolled up bills," she said, adding that she re-

ally didn't want to reveal the amount, which she said wasn't small.

What made the gift extra special to Tonya was this generous windfall meeting financial needs she had after not being able to work due to surgery on Dec. 2.

"I'm off the whole month of December and don't have anything coming in. Why else would someone show up at my door and give me money?" Tonya said.

Still, not knowing the man behind the Santa suit and beard and not being able to thank him, Tonya said that she wanted to express her gratitude publicly.

"I want him to know that I appreciate this from the bottom of my heart. To think that there's still good people out there who actually have a heart and care, God was looking over me," she said.

## POLICE NEWS

### Man charged with burglary

Macon Justin Cotez, 37, of 2397 Henson Creek Road, Liberty, was arrested on Dec. 17 at his residence by Deputy Jamie Walters and charged with first-degree burglary and theft by unlawful taking, firearm. Court records state that Cotez admitted to entering a residence located at the corner of Henson Creek Road and South Ky. 837 and taking two rifles.

### Man faces drug, traffic charges

Otis D. Simpson, 37, of 6554 South Fork Creek Road, Liberty, was arrested on Dec. 17 by Trooper Kevin Roberts and charged with first offense DUI, possession of drug paraphernalia, failure to wear seat belts, no registration receipt, improper registration plate, failure of owner to maintain insurance, failure to produce insurance card, and operating a vehicle with an expired license. Roberts states in court documents that he saw Simpson sitting in his vehicle on South Fork Creek Road. Simpson admitted to smoking meth 30 minutes prior. In a subsequent search, Roberts found a smoking pipe, straw and cigarette lighter. Simpson told Roberts that he found the pipe on South Fork Ridge Road and picked it up and smoked the meth that was already in the pipe.

### Man faces harassment charge

Sammie S. Slinker, 65, of 1162 Capella Drive, Tavares, Fla., was arrested on Dec. 21 on Montgomery Street by Trooper Joshua Dicken and charged with harassing communication and two counts of third-degree terroristic threatening. Court documents indicate that Slinker threatened to kill Danny Burton on Dec. 20. Slinker also said that Burton needed to sleep with one eye open and that he would be circling his house.

In a separate incident, Slinker threatened to kill Bernadine Slinker and told he was on a mission.

Further, from Nov. 16 through Dec. 21, Slinker made numerous harassing phone calls to Bernadine. Slinker made these calls from phones other than his own after Bluegrass Cellular blocked his number, court documents state.

### Man charged with DUI

Mark D. Brown, 44, of 5487 Ky. 906, Hustonville, was arrested on Dec. 14 by Officer George Emerson and charged with first offense DUI, two counts of criminal trespass, and third-degree criminal mischief. Brown tried to enter a home on Poplar Hill Road and was asked to leave by the unnamed female occupant. Emerson said that Brown was too intoxicated to take field sobriety tests. Also, Brown had wrecked his truck in leaving the roadway and running through a fence near the residence where he was arrested.

### Man charged with criminal mischief

Quinton R. Johnson, 30, was arrested on Dec. 18 by Deputy Jordan Buis and charged with first-degree criminal mischief. Jessica Lynn states that on Oct. 10, Johnson broke the windshield and back lift gate glass out of her 1993 Chevrolet Camaro. Damages amount to more than \$1,000.

### Four arrested in metal theft

Sheriff Jerry Coffman and Deputy Chad G. Weddle cited Julie Ritchie, 35, of 1496 Henson Ridge Road, Liberty; Seth McDonald, 21, of 223 Clyde McDonald Road, Liberty; Cody Brumett, 23, of 1496 Henson Ridge Road, Liberty; and Lora McDonald, 23, of 1591 Henson Ridge Road, Liberty, and charged them with theft by unlawful taking, under \$500. Ritchie, Seth McDonald, and Brumett are accused of taking scrap metal from Anthony Richardson on Dec. 20 and selling it at Cundiff Metals for \$48, according to court records. Lora McDonald, along with the others charged, told officers that she stayed in the truck and didn't load anything, court records state.



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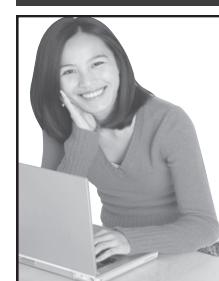
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**We count it a privilege to care for many of our friends and neighbors.**

***But we're not just your healthcare provider - we are blessed to be a major contributor to the economy in our community and region.***

**You may be surprised to know that healthcare and a healthy economy often go hand in hand.**

## **Did you know?**

- **We pay about \$77 million each year in salaries and benefits for our 1,150 hospital team members**, including numerous Casey Countians. This money is put to good work throughout our region - purchasing homes, paying rent, eating out, going to the movies, buying groceries, automobiles, clothing and other necessities. That's a big impact.

- **We pay taxes. . .lots of taxes.** Last year we paid \$1 million in property taxes; \$1 million in local taxes; \$2.8 million in state taxes; and of course, federal taxes, too. ***All of those taxes go to work to help provide services for the entire community.***

- **Last year, we provided \$6.5 million in charity care.** Taking care of those in need – regardless of their ability to pay – is an important part of our mission and commitment to our community.

- **We contributed \$550,000 to Charities and local Community Services.** From American Cancer Society to American Heart Association, from March of Dimes, to United Way, from Harmony Hospitality House to schools, ball teams, service organizations, and more, we are pleased to be able to help support worthy causes.

- **We provide care for 11,500 inpatients each year.** 1,350 of those patients are precious little babies born in our hospital.

- **We have 61,000 outpatient visits each year** – services that don't require an overnight stay at the hospital, like lab work, catheterizations, imaging and cardiopulmonary services, etc.

- **40,500 patients visited our ER last year for emergency care.** And our ER is a recent Modern Healthcare Spirit of Excellence award winner for facilitating patient care.

- **We perform 17,500 surgical procedures per year.**

- **94% of all patients admitted to Lake Cumberland Regional Hospital are satisfied or very satisfied with their care.**

- **We are a true regional facility and the only full service hospital in south central Kentucky that provides these specialty services:** Endocrinology, Endo-Vascular Surgery, ENT, Neurosurgery, Obstetrics, Ortho-Sports Medicine, Rheumatology, Urology, and Bariatric Surgery.

- **We are a teaching hospital.** Hundreds of clinicians complete their clinical requirements at our hospital each year under the guidance of our healthcare professionals.

**We are your hospital of today and tomorrow, and we are honored to be**  
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